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tungsten, and nickel alloyed with at least one additional metal selected from the group consisting of strontium, barium, and lead;

applying a potential across the metal capacitor plate; and

oxidizing at least a portion of the metal capacitor plate to form at least a portion of the dielectric layer.

75. (New) The capacitor of claim 74, wherein the at least a portion of the metal capacitor plate is oxidized in a supersaturated  $\text{Sr}^{+2}$  solution.

**REMARKS**

New claims 54-75 have been added. Claims 2-6, 10-18, 29-30, 32-38, 50-52, and 54-75 are now pending in the application.

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